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September 17, 2004

Robin Kelly Federal Election Commission 999 E. Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20463

ID Number C00290064

RE: Your Letter of September 14, 2004 regarding our Amended July Quarterly Report received 7/16/04

Dear Robin:

Thank you for your letter concerning: 1. Showing election cycle-to-date figures for all aggregate amounts, 2. Failure to file 8 "last minute" contributions in the required 48 hour time period and 3. Not reporting on Schedule A of the report, a contribution from United Auto Workers for \$1500 that was reported as a "last minute" contribution on 4/19/04. I'll explain these questions in order.

- 1. We have checked our computer software and the "Itemization Threshold" is set from 11/06/2002 to 11/02/2004. Other than a computer "glitch" in the software, I can't explain why it incorrectly aggregated the Column B figures that you noted. We will reset the threshold dates again and retransmit an amended report. Hopefully, the problem will be corrected. If not, please notify me immediately and I will call Aristotole directly to determine what the problem is.
- 2. All eight contributions listed as missing 48-hour notices were received by the Committee AFTER the 48 Hour Notice Period. The Realtors PAC check was received by the Committee on April 26, 2004 and deposited thereafter. The remaining 7 checks (Cohen, Lieberman, Ostrow, Paul, Salvucci, Soffer & Stewart) were received by the Committee on April 27, 2004 and were all deposited together shortly thereafter. The problem was the data entry person who inadvertantly used the date on the checks rather than the date the Committee received the checks. We have implemented a more visible "Date Received" marking so that this will not be a problem in the future. We apologize for the data entry error and have amended the report to reflect the actual dates the checks were recieved.
- 3. Once again, the same problem happened with the Auto Workers check which was recieved by the Committee during the 48 hour reporting period and properly reported as such. During data entry, the check date of 4/7/2004 was used instead of the date received and when the report was transmitted, this check was not picked up because the report only transmitted contributions from 4/8/04 thru 6/30/04. We regret the error. The contribution was in our system, but incorrectly dated. We have corrected the date also in the amended report.

I hope this adequately explains the situation and addresses your concerns. Please contact me at congmik@aol.com or 412-242-4696 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Doyle For Congress Committee C00290064